



# Forest Gate Community School

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Dear Parent/Carer

## Re: World Book Day fancy dress Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2019

To celebrate World Book Day, Forest Gate Community School will have a whole school literary themed fancy dress day on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March.

This year we will be paying tribute to villains in literature. From 'The Chronicles of Narnia', 'Harry Potter' and 'Lord of the Rings' to the world of William Shakespeare and Robert Louis Stevenson. This genre has fascinated readers for centuries and we want to use this to inspire a new generation of keen readers.

We strongly encourage all staff and students to come in their best fancy dress as a villain. I will be providing pupils with a list of characters and books to help them create their costumes and to read these stories at home. The student with the best costume will be awarded an Amazon Kindle. Runners up will be rewarded with book vouchers.

Here are some suggestions of characters:

- The Witch (The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe), CS Lewis
- Count Olaf (A Series of Unfortunate Events), Daniel Handler
- Lord Voldemort (Harry Potter), J.K. Rowling
- Long John Silver (Treasure Island), Robert Louis Stevenson
- Captain Hook (Peter Pan and Wendy), JM Barrie
- Count Dracula (Dracula), Bram Stoker
- Cruella de Vil (The Hundred and One Dalmations), Dodie Smith
- Mr. Hyde (The Strange Case of Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde), Robert Louis Stevenson
- Lady Macbeth (*Macbeth*), William Shakespeare
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To make sure the day is a success, students must adhere to the spirit of the day. We will require students to do the following:

- Come to school in either a villain's fancy dress or school uniform. Pupils who come in non-uniform but not fancy dress will be sanctioned.
- Students should bring in a copy of the book or the book cover which contains their villain.
- To not bring in any banned or potentially dangerous items as props. All props should be able to fit in students' bags for lesson time.
- To not wear costumes that will prevent their ability to fully participate in the learning. It will be a normal school day.
- If students have PE, they will be required to bring their kit.

Throughout the week, there will be lessons and activities across the school curriculum, linked to World Book Day. Our vision is to raise and appreciation for literature and increase reading for pleasure.

If parents or students have any questions about the day or are unsure about whether a certain costume is suitable, please contact Miss Hamid or Mrs Francis.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

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